

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

Council Member: You are hereby notified that there will be a regular meeting of the Boone County Council at the Boone County Office Building, 116 W. Washington St., in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room, Room 105, in the City of Lebanon, on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 8:30am.

Councilwoman President Elise Nieshalla called the meeting to order. Council members in attendance were Kevin VanHorn, Jennifer Hostetter, Aaron Williams, Don Lamb, Marcia Wilhoite, and John Riner.

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of former Councilman Steve Jacob.

Councilwoman Nieshalla honored Assessor Lisa Garoffolo. Assessor Garoffolo retired this month.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to approve the council minutes from the February 8, 2022, meeting as written. Councilman Williams motioned and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

SALARY AMENDMENT

Vickie Foster with Health Department was updating Salary Ordinance with a new Grant (School Resource) few full-time employees will be working on this project. Councilman Lamb motioned and Councilman Williams seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS

N/A

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL OF APPROPRIATIONS

Commissioner Wolfe presented an additional appropriation request for:

1000.0068.430.431.0.6834	Indirect Contract Consult	\$50,000.00
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Councilman Williams made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilwoman Wilhoite seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Vickie Foster with Health Department gave their Annual Report.

Commissioner Jeff Wolfe to discuss the ARP Funds request for GM Development Agreement. Auditor Debbie Crum stated that we did in fact received 6.5million in ARP monies. Commissioner Wolfe wants to use 2.5 million from ARP for outstanding bills with jail project. Appropriate 750,000 for jail pending approval of Ice Miller – Councilwoman Nieshalla , Council needs to appropriate \$\$ from project list in ARP. Bob and Debbie will work with Ice Miller to figure out spending out of ARP Funds.

Nick Parr with Highway Department to discuss Bond Fund discussion. There needs to be three new lines added in Commissioners budget for these Bond payments, instead of in their own fund.

Nick Parr with Highway gave a presentation of the Highway's Annual Report.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss \$250,000 from ARP funds for the county match on the Charter Communications Next Level Connections Grant. Contingent upon arrival of ARP funds, Councilwoman Wilhoite made a motion for the \$250,000 and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Boone County Justice Commission Update: Committee is waiting on answers to questions, meeting will be next week on Tuesday, February 15th, 2022 at 6pm due to Valentine's day on Monday.

Auditor Debbie Crum gave an update on the ARP/FRF funds. Debbie stated they can not verify employment for Jeff Wolfe and Debbie Crum – no administrator. Auditor Crum resubmitted notarized letter yesterday and they should know within 48 hrs. There is another County having this problem too.

SALARY AMENDMENT

Prosecutor Kent Eastwood was just informing the Council they have a new prosecutor and he was just adding them to Salary Ordinance, the money was already approved in budget for 2022. Councilman Lamb motioned and Councilman Williams seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS

N/A

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL OF APPROPRIATIONS

Commissioner Wolfe presented an additional appropriation request for:

1000.0068.410.412.0.0023 OT \$ 1,500.00

Councilman Lamb made a motion to approve the request submitted. Councilman Riner seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

N/A

Councilman Lamb made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Riner seconded. Motion carried, 7-0.

Minutes Prepared by Melissa Smith, Deputy Auditor.

Elise Nieshalla
Boone County Council President

Date

Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor

Date